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NEWS OF THE QUARTER.







The auction sales for the winter season are at length over, and have given very general satisfaction to all concerned; for the guidance of amateurs who are making a collection of these interesting mementoes of the progress of their hobby, we annex a list of the sales; of the winter season, 1883-4.

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55th "	Dec. 10, 11 & 12,	46		 	 	 						1.	054	03
56th "	December 17th,												248	
57th "	January 21st.	66											776	
	March 10th,	66		 			 						779	49
	April 21st.	66											817	

In this connection it is interesting to know that a complete index of all the coins and

In this connection it is interesting to know that a complete index of all the coins and stamps sold during the years 1882-3, has been printed.

Unusual activity is predicted for the fall auctions, which will open with a regular trade sale for the benefit of dealers. This is expected to last six days, and to realize between \$25,000.00 and \$50,000.00, consignments having been promised from South America and Europe, in addition to the lots offered by American dealers; it is to be hoped that merchants

from all parts of the world will be in attendance.

The 45th edition of Scott & Company's Standard catalogue, entirely revised and corrected will be ready shortly; and the color chart so long delayed, is now nearly ready. It is hoped that its value as a standard of color will compensate for the delay in its publication. The International Album is meeting with an enormous sale. It certain publication in connection with our science, that has ever been issued. It certainly is the most popular

The Philatelic gains, since our last are numerous and interesting.

ANTIGUA.—The design of the penny stamp of this island has been changed to conform in design to that of the new values.

1 penny, rose.

ANTIOQUIA.—We have two new atrocities from this state, each uglier than any stamp which has preceded it. The design in each case, is head of liberty to both, with CORREOS above and DE ANTIOQUIA below. In the 5c, the head is in circle, while the 10c, has the same profile and DE ANTIQUIA below. In the 5c, the head is in circle, while the 10c, has the same profile in an arched rectangle. The stamps are lithographed on white paper, and are unperforated. 5 centavos, brown. 10 centavos, emerald green.

BHOPAL.-We are informed by the Record, that this state has gone back to the rectangular design, and issued a new sheet of 1/2 anna stamp printed in blue-gray, which is a little worse than anything heretofore used in the state; there is a mistake in spelling, more or less important, in every one of the 32 stamps composing the sheet.

BRAZIL.-This country, failing to produce anything in the way of a portrait, that could DRAZIL.—This country, failing to produce anything in the way of a portrait, that could compare with the stamps in use in the countries around it, has gone back to a plain figure as the central design on its stamp, as will be seen by the above engraving. We also have a hundred reis stamp of the same design with the word THESOURO in place of "correos;" the former word stands for treasury We are informed by our correspondent, that it is an official, otherwise, we should have supposed it to be a fiscal stamp.

20 reis, greenish black. 100 reis, violet.

British Guiana.—The design of the 1c. adhesive stamp, has been printed on manilla news bands.

Wrapper.-1c. sage green, on manilla paper.

CANADA.—We understand that the Dominion is about to issue 10c, stamps for "additional postage," similar to those projected for use here, it remains to be seen if our cousins across the border will be as dilatory in the matter as our own officials.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—This colony has commenced to use its fiscal stamps for postal poses. The following are noted: purposes. The following are noted:
2 shillings 6 pence, green; 4 shillings, lilac; 8 shillings, ultramarine,

CHILI.—Here also we have seen another revenue used for postage, (it will be remembered that the low values of the same series have been frequently employed postally.)

10 centavos, green.
Still another state has been doing the same thing, and we have to chronicle:

1 centavo, red; 2 centavos, blue.

CUBA - The stamps of last year remain in use with some slight changes of tint, except the 21/2 c. which has been altered to violet.

21/2 centesimos, violet.







DUTCH EAST INDIES.—The design of the low values of these colonies has been changed a large numeral replacing the profile of the king. The frame remains as before.

1 cent, gray; 2 cents, brown; 21/2 cents, orange.

A stamp of original design and considerable merit, has been prepared for the envelopes,

but they have not yet been put into circulation.

EGYPT.—Owing to a scarcity of the 20 para stamps and a superabundant stock of the 5, piastres, the latter value has been surcharged, with a very large numeral of value in black, with PARAS on left, and an arabic inscription on the right border.

20 paras, black on 5 piastres, green. We have also received a set of stamps for uopaid letters, the design is given above, all are printed in red.

Unpaid Letter Stamps, 10 and 20 paras, 1, 2 and 5 piastres red.

GERMAN EMPIRE. - Not to be behind the other powers, has prepared an edition of her stamps for special use in her consulates in the east. The stamps are the regular issue of the empire surcharged with the Turkish money, with numerals on each side.

10 PARAS 10, black on 5 pfening violet; 20 PARAS 20, on 10 pfening, rose; 2½ PIASTRES 2½ on 50 pfening slate; 1PIASTRE 1, black on 20 pfening blue; 1¼ PIASTR 1½, on 25 pfening,

Great Britain-The long expected English stamps have at length appeared in force. and may briefly be described as follows:

1/2 penny, slate, design unchanged.

violet, design and color unchanged. 116 66

portrait in triangle, value in square below. 66 2 pence, 44 in rectangular frame, oblong, 21/2 6 . 66 in circle, oblong (illustrated) 3 in hexagon frame, rectangular. 64

4 green in oval frame. in triangle, value in square below, in rectangle. .. 44 6. 66 .6

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in circle, oblong. in hexagon frame, rectangular. 9 1 shilling, 6 p. violet 46

design and color unchanged.

5 shillings, rose, similar to last, large value at sides.

10 blue, similar to last pound with value at sides.

1 pound, violet, portrait in circle, long oblong. orange, design and color unchanged.

GRIQUALAND. -The 3 p. rose Cape surcharged with a large numeral 3, and small black G, has lately been seen.

Hong Kong.-The color of the current 10c, has been changed.

10 cents green.

ITALY.—Two new high values of the "Unpaid Letter," series have been issued. Unpaid Letter Stamps —50 lire, green-gray: 100 lire, pale red.

JHIND .- A new stamp is announced for this state, of similar design to the first issue.

14 anna, orange-yellow.

MACAO.—Our readers will remember that stamps of the above type were prepared for use in this colony in 1878, but for some reason were not brought into use at that time. A few sets which came into the hands of certain dealers, were sold at very high prices. It will interest them to know that they can now be had at the Post Offices in Macao, although they are not likely to remain long, as one value has already been surcharged.

80 reis surcharged in black, on 100 reis, lilac.

MEXICO.—As noted in our October number, the new set of stamps for this country were promptly put in use; our engraving gives the design of the entire set; the values are: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12, 20, and 50 centavos, green.

1 and 2 pesos, blue.

MONTSERRAT.—This colony has added a new value to its set, same design as the 21/4 and

½ penny, sea-green.

NEVIS .- The same remarks apply to this Island'also, with the addition of a change in color of the penny. Same designs.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—The 1 penny bill stamp of this colony has been found used for postal purposes.

Revenue, used for postage, 1 penny, orange.

NEW ZEALAND.—Although this list is compiled in alphabetical order, nearly all the ssues seem to run in pairs, accordingly the stamps to be noted for this colony are fiscals used for postage, as follows:

Revenues used for postage, 1 penny, blue; 2 pence, green; 4 pence, brown; 2 shillings, rose and blue; 9 shillings, lilac and carmine.

NORTH BORNEO.—The stamp lately chronicled for this place has been surcharged to do duty for 8 cents, and two high values have also been issued, both being large and attractive stamps.

EIGHT CENTS, black, on 2 cents, brown; 50 cents, purple; 1 dollar, carmine.

ORANGE STATE.—The series of this State is rapidly augmenting. We now have to note a new value of the same design and a change of color.

1 penny, bistre ; 2 pence, mauve.

Perak.—The last issued 2 cents of Strait Settlements surcharged Perak in black block letters has been received.

2 cents, black surcharge, rose.

PERU.—While the issues of this country are undoubtedly of very great interest and are eagerly sought after by collectors, it is well for them to be on their guard against false surcharges which have been manufactured to meet the demand. Peru surcharges may be divided into three classes: First, those placed on the stamps by the Peruvian Government to indicate their admission to the Universal Postal Union. Second, those with the arms of the Chilians surcharged on the Peruvian stamps captured by their forces, being the only labels good for postage in the places held by them (towards the last, regular Chilian stamps were used in a few places). Third, the stamps issued by the Peruvians after they had regained possession of the postal administration. These were surcharged with a triangle enclosing a blazing sun above the word Peru. This was struck on any stamps that could be procured by the government, and simply indicated that the present administration had received payment for the stamps, and had the effect of making the large quantities of stamps in the lands of the Chilians worthless for postal purposes. There are three varieties of this surcharge, one having the points of the triangle terminating with a foliated ornament, another plain with double inside line, while the third has a small ornament on the inside line. We are anable to say if they were issued simultaneously, we saw the plain triangle first and the foliated one a few weeks after. We annex a list of all the stamps we have seen with this surcharge, and although we have not seen all varieties on each it is likely they all exist.

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Porto Rico.—The usual change in color appears to have been made in these stamps, but

so far we have only seen the following:

½ m. de peso, violet red; 1 m. de peso, carmine; 3 m. de peso, brown.

RUSSIA.—The long expected set was issued in February, and will make a welcome addition to our albums. The elaborate design employed on the 3½ and 7 rouble stamps will be found above. The 2 and 7 k are of the same design as the current 2 k, and the 14, 35, and 70 k, are similar to the current high values, but have numerals of value in circles in the corners, and the value in words on a curved label below. The colors and values are:

corners, and the value in words on a curved label below. The colors and values are:

2 kopec, green,
14 'blue, carmine centre.
70 'brown, orange centre.
17 rubles, black and yellow.

St. Christopher.—The colors of the current stamps have been changed as follows: I penny rose; 2½ pence, blue.

St. Lucia.—The orange shilling has now been issued, surcharged, with the value in bloke letters, we now await the 6 pence to complete the surcharged set.

1 shilling, surcharged in black, orange.

We have just received a letter from this island, franked with revenue stamps, 1 penny (new type postage), slate, surcharged in red, REVENUE.

3 pence (old type postage), blue, surcharged in red, THREE PENCE REVENUE.

Sandwich Isles, -We find we omitted to note the new values of these Islands. Each stamp is of a different design and with the exception of the 25c., are beautiful and interest-ing. The designs are as follows:

ing. The designs are as follows:
25 cent, purple, statue of Kamehameha. 50 cent, vermillion, portrait of King Kalakua;
1 dollar carmine, portrait of the Dowager Queen Emma.
The color of the 10 and 12c. have been changed: 10 cents, vermillion; 12 cents, violet.

SURINAM .- We note two additions to the current set, same type

2 cents, crange; 121/2 cents, greyish blue.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS .- We are informed that the 12c. blue has been surcharged with a new value.

8 cents on 12c. blue."

Tobago.—The 21/2 pence provisional has been replaced by a stamp of the same design as the others of the set.

21/2 pence, ultramarine.

TRANSVAAL .- A new set of stamps for this country are being prepared in Holland.

TRINIDAD .- The shilling stamp of the current type is now in use .

1 shilling, red-brown.

Turkey.—The color of the current type have been changed as follows: 10 paras, black and green; 2 piastres, blue and rose; 25 piastres, black and grey.

UNITED STATES.—The color of the two cent envelope stamp has been changed to reddish brown, the same or similar color as the adhesive.

Envelope Stamp: 2 cents, red brown, on white, amber, fawn and blue.

URUGUAY.—The stamps of this country have been re-issued, surcharged as follows: 1883; PROVISIORIO on 5c., green, 1877; PROVISIORIO, 1 CENTESIMO, 1884, on 10c. vermillion, 1877; PROVISIORIO, 1884, on 2c; on 2c., red, 1882.

We also have a new 5c. of the following design. Sun in glory occupying a triangular frame inscribed REP. O DEL URUGUAY above, value repeated on each lower side; large numerals, in connect.

in corners

5 centimos, blue.

VENEZUELA.—There has been a decided change in the tint of the 10c.

10 cents, bright red.

VICTORIA.—We have two new stamps to note here: One penny, similar design to last, with larger letters on shaded ground, and the two pence with color changed.

1 penny, green: 2 pence, violet.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.-This country is about to include in 1/2 penny stamps, and while in preparation has surcharged the penny stamp, with a large 1/4 in red. 1/4 penny surcharged in red on 1 p., straw.

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4 cents, magenta, dark blue.

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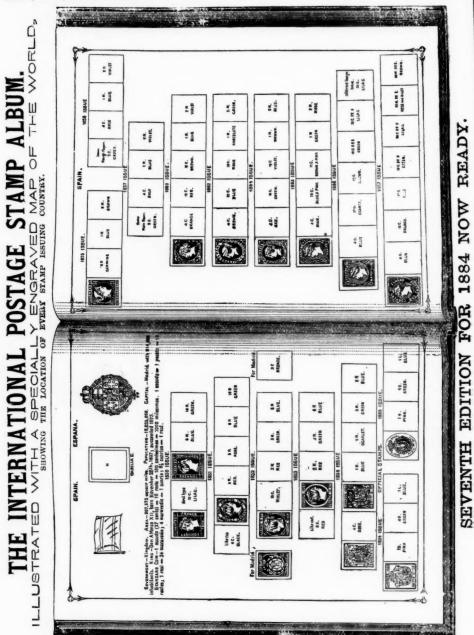
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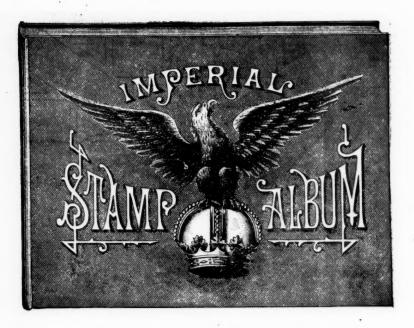
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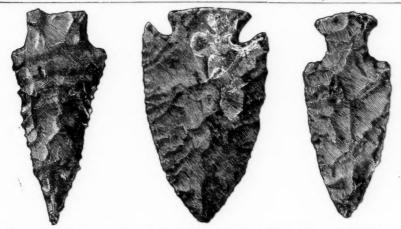
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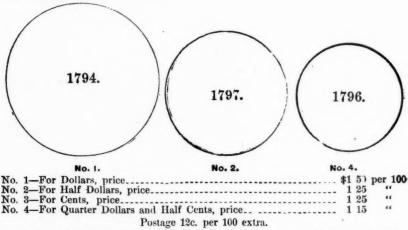
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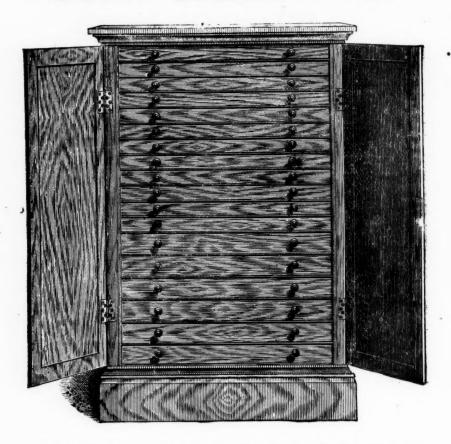
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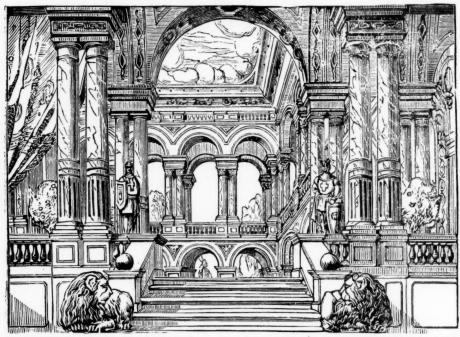
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